

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated hereafter (where underlining “ ” denotes additions and strikethrough “ ” or “[]” denotes deletions).

Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A system for providing interactive media services comprising:

memory for storing interactive program guide (IPG) configuration data that is used to determine an IPG channel listing characteristic where the channel listing characteristic comprises a predetermined number of channels presented concurrently; and

logic configured to modify the IPG configuration data in response to a first user input requesting a change in the IPG channel listing characteristic,

wherein the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia modifies the IPG channel listing characteristic.

2. (Original) The system of claim 1, where the memory is non-volatile memory.

3. (Original) The system of claim 1, where an IPG screen that is configured in accordance with the first user input is presented to a user in response to receiving a second user input.

4. (Canceled).

5. (Canceled).

6. (Currently Amended) A system for providing interactive media services comprising:

memory for storing interactive program guide (IPG) configuration data that is used to determine an IPG time listing characteristic where the time listing characteristic is at least one of the following:

a predetermined number of time listings presented concurrently and a predetermined coverage of a time listing; and

logic configured to modify the IPG configuration data in response to a first user input requesting a change in the IPG time listing characteristic,

wherein the IPG time listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG time listing characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia modifies the IPG time listing characteristic.

7. (Canceled).
8. (Canceled).
9. (Canceled).
10. (Original) The system of claim 1, where an IPG screen that is configured in accordance with the first user input is presented to a user via a display device.
11. (Original) The system of claim 10, where the display device is a television.
12. (Original) The system of claim 1, where the first user input is provided via a remote control device.
13. (Original) The system of claim 1, where the system is a client device.
14. (Original) The system of claim 13, where the client device is a digital home communication terminal (DHCT).
15. (Original) The system of claim 1, where the system is a server device.

16. (Original) The system of claim 15, where the server device is located at a headend.

17. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a user interface, comprising:
receiving a first user input requesting a change in an interactive program guide (IPG) channel listing characteristic where the channel listing characteristic comprises a predetermined number of channels presented concurrently;
and
modifying IPG configuration data stored in memory in response to receiving the first user input, where the IPG configuration data is used to determine the IPG channel listing characteristic,
wherein the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia modifies the IPG channel listing characteristic.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17, where the first user input is provided via a remote control device.

19. (Original) The method of claim 17, further comprising:
providing a user with an IPG screen that is configured in accordance with IPG
configuration data that is modified in response to the first user input.
20. (Original) The method of claim 19, where the IPG screen is presented to a
user in response to receiving a second user input.
21. (Original) The method of claim 20, where the second user input is received
while the user is not being presented with an IPG screen.
22. (Original) The method of claim 19, where the IPG screen is presented to a
user via a display device.
23. (Original) The method of claim 22, where the display device is a television.
24. (Canceled).
25. (Canceled).

26. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a user interface, comprising:
receiving a first user input requesting a change in an interactive program guide
(IPG) time listing characteristic where the time listing characteristic is at
least one of the following:
a predetermined number of time listings presented concurrently
and a predetermined coverage of a time listing; and
modifying IPG configuration data stored in memory in response to receiving the
first user input, where the IPG configuration data is used to determine the
IPG time listing characteristic,
wherein the IPG time listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia
presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG time listing
characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such
that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia
modifies the IPG time listing characteristic.

27. (Canceled).

28. (Canceled).

29. (Canceled).

30. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a user interface, comprising:

receiving a first user input requesting a change in an interactive program guide (IPG) channel listing characteristic, where the channel listing characteristic comprises a predetermined number of channels presented concurrently; and

changing the IPG channel listing characteristic in accordance with the first user input,

wherein the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia modifies the IPG channel listing characteristic.

31. (Original) The method of claim 30, where the first user input is provided via a remote control device.

32. (Original) The method of claim 30, further comprising:

providing a user with an IPG screen that is configured in accordance with the first user input.

33. (Original) The method of claim 32, where the IPG screen is presented to a user in response to receiving a second user input.

34. (Original) The method of claim 33, where the second user input is received while the user is not being presented with an IPG screen.

35. (Original) The method of claim 32, where the IPG screen is presented to a user via a display device.

36. (Original) The method of claim 35, where the display device is a television.

37. (Canceled).

38. (Canceled).

39. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a user interface, comprising:

receiving a first user input requesting a change in an interactive program guide (IPG) time listing characteristic, where the time listing characteristic is at least one of the following:

a predetermined number of time listings presented concurrently and a predetermined coverage of a time listing; and

changing the IPG time listing characteristic in accordance with the first user input,
wherein the IPG time listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG time listing characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia modifies the IPG time listing characteristic.

40. (Canceled).

41. (Canceled).

42. (Canceled).

43. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a user interface, comprising:
receiving a first user input identifying an interactive program guide (IPG) channel listing characteristic, where the channel listing characteristic comprises a predetermined number of channels presented concurrently; and
providing the user with an IPG screen that has the characteristic identified via the first user input,

wherein the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG channel listing characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia modifies the IPG channel listing characteristic.

44. (Original) The method of claim 43, where the first user input is provided via a remote control device.

45. (Original) The method of claim 43, where the IPG screen is presented to a user in response to receiving a second user input.

46. (Original) The method of claim 45, where the second user input is received while the user is not being presented with an IPG screen.

47. (Original) The method of claim 43, where the IPG screen is presented to a user via a display device.

48. (Original) The method of claim 47, where the display device is a television.

49. (Canceled).

50. (Canceled).

51. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a user interface, comprising: receiving a first user input identifying an interactive program guide (IPG) time listing characteristic, where the time listing characteristic is at least one of the following:

a predetermined number of time listings presented concurrently
and a predetermined coverage of a time listing; and

providing the user with an IPG screen that has the characteristic identified via the first user input,

wherein the IPG time listing characteristic is represented by an object indicia
presented to the user and an action for reconfiguring the IPG time listing
characteristic is represented by a tool indicia presented to the user such
that a first user input of selecting the object indicia and the action indicia
modifies the IPG time listing characteristic.

52. – 54. (Canceled).

55. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

56. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.

57. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented on a request screen generated by the user input.

58. (New) The system of claim 6, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

59. (New) The system of claim 6, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.

60. (New) The system of claim 6, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented on a request screen generated by the user input.

61. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

62. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.

63. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented on a request screen generated by the user input.

64. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

65. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.

66. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented on a request screen generated by the user input.

67. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

68. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.

69. (New) The method of claim 39, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

70. (New) The method of claim 39, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.

71. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

72. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.

73. (New) The method of claim 51, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as symbols to the user.

74. (New) The method of claim 51, wherein the object indicia and the tool indicia are presented as menu options on at least one screen to the user.